TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

WASHINGTON.

Delay in the Neely case is causing much criticism. Witnesses detained in Havana are anxious for action. LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

Annie Smith, 10 years old, is wounded by stray bullet in the course of a street fight etween negroes.

Miss Lulu Masterson of New York comes to Edwardsville to obtain the release of her flance, who is in jail on a charge preferred by a young woman of Alton.

Director General W. I. Buchanan of the Pan-American Exposition arrives in St. Louis, visits Forest Park and announces that under no circumstances will be become Director General of the St. Louis World's

Prayers for rain are offered in all parts of Missouri, in accordance with the proclama-

The temperature in St. Louis reaches 106 degrees, the record being one day in thirty years. the record being equaled by only

GENERAL DOMESTIC. Twelve horses cremated in a livery bar at Versailles, Mo., destroyed by fire, Ex-Mayor Calhoun of Carthage made de-fendant in suit for \$50,000, brought against him by Doctor C. F. Edmonston, charging alleged allenation of his wife's affections.

The smashing crusade in Kansas continues. Women broke up whisky and gambling joints at two points. The steamboat City of Metropolis burned to the water's edge yesterday.

Nicholas C. Meckes was drowned near Quincy, Ill., yesterday. Mre. W. H. Anderson died suddenly at La-

monte yesterday. Beaumont oll operators are leasing land in Kentucky.

Mrs. Virginia Cayce died yesterday at Governor Yates of Illinois is having trou-ble in his appointments.

At Galena, Ill., a temperature of 118 was registered Sunday. Several children attend-ing church services succumbed to the in-tense heat and had to be carried from the building.

tire State of Missouri yesterday.

Robert Stewart Fosburg's mother declared yesterday over the grave of May Fosburg, her daughter, that her son is innocent of the crime charged against him, and that the story told by the Fosburgs of the kill-

ing of the young woman is true. One hundred armed negroes made a hostile demonstration at Cleveland, Miss., as a re-sult of a lynching. They were fired upon by three white men with fatal results.

The strikers declare that the plant at Mc-Keesport will be forced to close to-day. This will affect 9,000 men. First Regiment Missouri troops in camp at Nevada. Governor Dockery will visit the

camp on Friday. Two Missourians, seeking homes in Okla-noma, met with mishaps, at registration

point, El Reno. White and negro boys of Indianapolis started a riot last night, which for two hours the police were unable to suppress. Several children of Massachusetts are to be paid \$2 a hundred for collecting lady

bugs, 20,000 of which are wanted for ship-ment to South Africa. FOREIGN.

A better tone is manifest in the Europea

The Spanish Senate has rejected a motion o probe the disasters which befell Spain during the war.

The news of his wife's death was re-ceived by President Kruger with tears. He asked to be left alone and spent several house in prayer. Afterwards he was found quietly sleeping, his Bible by his side. A Boer commando was surprised yester-lay and several Boers, including three off-

Marine Intelligence

New York, July II.—Arrived: La Gascogne Isyre; Rotterdam, Rotterdam; Cuffe, Liver July 21.—Salled: Etruria

Southampton, July 21.—Sailed: Vaderland, rom Antwerp, New York. Hamburg, July 1.—Steamer Pentaur, San rancisco, via Valparaiso, etc.

The Best Propositive of Grove's Tasteless Chills Toste, It is simply iron and quinns is a particles form. No cure—so pay. Price 50a.

SEEK OIL IN KENTUCKY.

Beaumont Operators Are Leasing Land in Blue Grass State.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Louisville, Ky., July 21.—The attention of men who developed the Texas of fields minent operators are now in the listrict, including Guffey, Lucas and Mo

Guire.

The firm of Guffey, Gayley & Co., has leaged about \$250 acres in Russell County, and is after more territory. They are arranging to begin drilling in ninety days. They are represented at Jamestown by J. T. McGuire, who is the third member of the firm. Captain A. L. Lucas of Beaumont, is making his headquarters at Scottsville, in Allen County. Others who are obtaining leases in that section are J. H. Marshall of Phinaum, W. L. Bock of Woodvilla, and C. T. Laffingwell of Ciarendon, Ark., George W. Captina, Judge J. B. Chapline, Captain Ginace and W. L. Jeffries of Clarendon, Aft. Captain Lucas will visit Wayne County in the week, where the development is further attracted and where paying wells are now in spention and a pipe line constructed to the railway at fomerset in Pulanki County.

Westerners in New York. REPUBLIC SPECIAR

New York, July 21.-Among the arrivals at the hotels here to-day were the following

St. Louis-H. Mauch and Mrs. Mauch, N Dench Miss E. F. d'Oench, Ev-ler R. M. Hayes, Mrs. J. J. Jen, W. C. Clastin-Grand Union; Miss R. Murphy, Mrs. C. R. Murphy, F. G. Bartin, Bartington; M. H. Bartes. R. Murphy, Mrs. C. R. Murphy, F. G. Gothard, Martington; M. H. Barker, A. Coller, Jr., J. F. Blashoff, Cosmopolitan; D. W. Baster, E. P. McCallough Casillac; A. B. Marting, Waldorf; G. S. Winter, Metropolitan; H. Kingsley Conjinental; A. B. Myer, New Amsterdam; Miss. J. Mensugh, St. Denis; C. Bierwirth and Mrs. Blawirth, Aster House,
Kansas City—Mrs. H. H. Robertson, Mrs. A. D. Cettingham, Miss. M. Rolle, Mrs. J. M. Guiddle, Mrs. S. F. Bollo, Normandle; W. H. Williams, Albert.

Williams, Albert.

harhold, III.—R. E. Paine, Bartholdi.

Pruit Suffering Badly.

21 TURLE SPECIAL.

RETURN. Mo., July 21.—Reports received from the large fruit farms at Codar Gap, show that the long drought has killed many trees, and that fruit is dropping badly. The recent, trian have replemished the wells, aprings and ponds in Wright County.

No Hair?

The trouble is your bair oes not have life enough. we your hair. Feed it with Ayer's Hair Vigor. If the ray bairs are coming, Ayer's bair Vigor will restore color

DECLARE BLIND CHILD WAS MADE TO SEE BY MIRACLE.

Priests at St. Vincent de Paul's Church Say That Baby Touched a Relic and Immediately Opened Its Eyes and Gazed About the Edifice-Mother, They Say, Fled From Church and Her Identity Was Not Learned.

Bind from birth, the child of a strange woman who attended the vescer services of St. Vincent de Paul's Catholic Church, No. 112 South North street, yesteriny after burn, is believed to have rained its eyesterity after burn, is believed to have rained its eyester burn to be saint, and the priests and parishioners are much excited over the occurrence. All efforts to establish the Elentity of woman and child have been unavailing.

Father F. V. Hueber, in charge of the parish, Father Asmuth and Father Green, who presided at the service, are responsible for the statement that such a miracle was performed. Mr. and Mrs. George Muser of No. 1421 South Twelfth street were among those present at the service and they too ray it is true.

Yesterday was the anniversary of the feast of St. Vincent de Paul, and as has been customary for many years, it was celebrated at the church.

A small bone taken from the body of St. Vincent de Paul has yearly been exhibited to the people for veneration.

Yesterday afternoon a strange woman with two children, one about 2 years old and the other apparently two years older, appeared at the service. The woman was not a parishioner and she was not recognized by either Pather Ilueber or Father.

At the close of the service, following the regular cusiom. Father Asmuth stood at the communion rail and presented this relic incased in a silver receptacle to the people in a silv Passenger and freight traffic is delayed. 1122 South North street, yestering after-but not stopped by the switchman's strike and the Terminal yards.

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At the close of the service, following the regular custom. Father Asmuth stood at the communion rail and presented this relic incased in a silver receptacle to the people as they filed past. Fathers Hueber and Green knelt in prayer at the altar, venerating the memory of St. Vincent de Paul. In the throng that passed the rail was the strange woman and the little children. As she reached the rail the mother stoped to tell Father Asmuth that her youngest child had been blind since birth.

Father Asmuth described the woman as she was about 5 feet in height, wore a dark skirt and shirt waist.

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FERVENT PRAYERS FOR RAIN

Continued from Page One.

ing the Catholics in his diocese to pray for rain in the drought district of the country, and especially in the Belleville diocese.

Bishop Janssen recognized the need of rain throughout the country, and especially in his diocese, and he accordingly instructed the priests to pray for rain at the masses and to request their parishioners to incorporate a prayer for rain at their home devotions. These prayers are to be continued until the drought is broken in the entire district now suffering.

Although the need of the rain is not felt as much in the cities as in the country, the prayers for rain were fervently responded to by the city parishioners.

ST. JOSEPH.

One Pastor Refused to Join in the

General Appeal.

St. Joseph, Mo., July 21.-One thousand

persons, members of the churches of all de-

rain that the country is needing so badly.

The churches of the city, without excep-tion, heeded the request of Governor Dock

tion, heeded the request of Governor Dock-ery and made prayers for rain the promi-nent part of the services to-day.

Buperintendents of Sunday schools, in their opening supplications, begged that the drought be speedily broken, and the pastors followed in suit. This was the rule in the Protestant churches, and in the Catholic churches the same request was made at an appropriate time during the morning ser-vices.

The Reverend G. H. Bradford of the Wes-

ominations sent up fervent prayers to the Ruler of the Universe to-day to send the

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

ARE OFFERED IN MISSOURI.

on famines and scourges, arguing for the most part that they were sent as an evidence of divine displeasure. At night there was a union meeting of the Protestant churches at the First Baptist Church, the services being conducted by the various ministers. The day has equaled the hottest of the season.

CENTRALIA.

Men's Hosiery.

25c Per Pair.

75 dozen pairs of fine Cotton Half Hose, in assorted polks dots, figures, vertical and cross stripes, were 35c and 50c 25c



This Store closes at 5 p. m. every week-day during July and August, except Saturdays, when it is closed at 1 p. m.

Women's Hosiery. 25c Per Pair.

50 dozen pairs of imported Cotton and Lisle Hose, in assorted stripes, figures and dots, also plain black, regularly worth 50c ... 25c

Pre-Inventory Clearance Sale of Summer Fabrics and Garments.

Preparatory to taking inventory we have made a general reduction in prices on all summer goods, and some very unusual values are now being offered in our several departments, among which are the following:

Muslin Underwear.

Drawers-Cambric, umbrella shape Values Impossible to Find Elsewith hemstitched flounce-also plain with hemstitched tucks 25c Cambric, umbrella shape, lawn flounce, trimmed with heavy lace edge48c

Cambric, umbrella shape, lawn flounce, trimmed with lace, also handsomely tucked and trimmed with embroidery..... 50c Cambric, umbrella shape, handsome-

ly trimmed with Houiton lace insertion and edge..... 65c Gowns-Cotton, yoke formed of tucks and insertion of embroidery,

hemstitched ruffle on neck and Cotton, surplice neck, yoke formed of tucks and insertion of embroidery,

hemstitched ruffle on neck and sleeves—each.......75c Cambric, surplice neck, yoke formed of tucks, tucked ruffle on neck

Cambric, surplice neck, yoke formed of embroidery and Honiton lace insertion, neck and sleeves trimmed Skirts-Cotton, plain, with

Women's Garments.

In this department, all remnant lots of Summer Suits, Coats and skirts have undergone the final radical mark down, and there are many garments in stock not told of here, marked at the lowest prices ever named by us for goods of equal merit.

Suits.

Shirt Waist and Outing Suits of Silk Chambray, Irish Linen and Mercerized Gingham, that have sold for \$9.00 and \$10.00, reduced to \$5.00

Tailor-Made and Shirt-Waist Suits of Pique, Irish Linen, Mercerized Canvas and Chambray, in plain white and assorted colors, that have sold for \$20.00, \$25.00 and \$27.50, reduced to......\$10.50

Suits of French Organdy, Irish Dimty, Embroidered Swiss and Mohair, trimmed with Valenciennes lace and velvet ribbons, regularly worth \$30.00, reduced to\$12.50

Suits of fine French Organdy, Em-

Foulard Silks. **Exclusive Printings**, 25 to 331/3 per cent Less Than

Regular Prices.

We include in this sale about 100 pieces of Satin Liberty Foulards, Satin-Faced Foulards, Japanese Foulards and Foulard Twills, in choice variety of this season's printings, consisting of small. medium and large figures, on assorted color grounds.

40c, 50c, 65c and 75c per yard. These silks are all standard qualities and have sold freely all season for 60c, 75c, 85c and \$1.00 per yard:

Scotch Steamer Rugs. At 25 Per Cent Less Than Value.

We have just placed on sale 100 Reversible Steamer Rugs in extensive variety of fancy plaids, At \$12.50.

These Rugs were made in Paisley, Scotland, from pure Australian wool, and are regularly worth \$17.00.

> s Suit Cases. 6-inch, \$5,50.

a 26-inch Sole which we direct h. It is both sewn has extra sole brass trimmings

0 each. worth \$8.50. linery

1/2 in price. ses' and Children's tive designs, inrted Models and sive effects-

per Felt Hats. added to stock ent of Trimmed

Wash Goods.

5c and 71/c Per Yard

Dimity Cords-In varied size, white olka dots and figures, on royal and navy blue grounds, regularly

worth 121/2c, per yard 5c 28-Inch Dimity-Novelty printings on assorted color grounds, all this season's choicest styles, regular

36-Inch Batiste - In choice variety of stripes and figures, six colorings to each design, usual re-

tail price 15c, per yard 71/2c

White Goods.

75 pieces Striped India Linon, worth 10c, and 50 pieces of fine plain French Organdy, worth 121/2c, reduced to......5c

100 pieces of Lace Striped Swiss in varied designs, regularly worth 15c, reduced to..... 81/4c 50 pieces of Striped Madras, worth

20c, 40 pieces of Persian Lawn, and 25 pieces of Striped Organdy. worth 25c, reduced to. 10c 50 pieces of 32-inch Madras in varied assortment of Stripes, regular retail price 25c, reduced to 15c Also 100 pieces of Imported Persian

At 61/c and 71/c per yard. Regularly worth 121/2c and 15c.

Boys' Clothing.

Olive Street Side.

Sailor Blouse Suits-Made of Plain and Fancy Madras, Linen and other washable materials, sizes 4 to 95c, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50.

Were \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.50. Russian Blouse Suits-In choice

in extensive va- variety of plain and fancy washable fabrics, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.75, Were \$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.50.

Shirt Waists-Fine Percale, in tormer prices. choice variety of stripes and figures, regular price 75c, reduced to 50c

Negligee Shirts-Made of fine in ported Madras, in assorted novelty hades of Tan, Cas- stripes, with one pair of cuffs, reduced from \$1.50 to...... \$1.15

IST STREET.

the minds of the people. To-night a union prayer service was held in one of the churches.

DE SOTO. Drought and Relief" the Topic of Discussion in Most Pulpits.

EPUBLIC SPECIAL De Soto, Mo., July 21.-This, the day apart by the Governor's proclamation for prayer and divine appeal for relief from the drought, was generally observed by the

drought, was generally observed by the churches of this city.

Notwithstanding the fact that this is one of the hottest days of the season, there were fairly good congregations in all the churches, all joining in the prayers for relief. In addition to fervent prayers, most of the pastors spoke on "Drought and Relief" in their sermons.

The regular pastors were in their pulpits except that the Rewerend Doctor E. H. Sawyer of St. Louis filled the pulpit in the Baptist Church and the Reverend E. L. Hill preached in the M. B. Church, South, at the request of the regular pastor, the Reverend Claud M. Gray, who is too fill to fill his pulpit.

On Medicardon plate of the text.

On Wednesday night of this week there on Wednesday night of this week there will he a union prayer meeting at the Fourth Street Methodist Church, participated in by all the churches, in further deference to the Governor's proclamation to 'pray for rain.' If rain should come in the meantime, then a praise service will be held.

HUNTSVILLE.

Methodist, Baptist and Christian Churches Ask for More Rain. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Huntsville, Mo., July 21.—The Governor

proclamation was observed here to-day by the Methodist, Baptist and Christian for relief from the drought.

The churches generally observed the day of fasting and prayer for relief. Services were held in the murning and evening in the Courthouse. The services were very impressive, their object being to invoke the divine aid for rain.

Many believe conditions will surely change, others insist that the appeals for rain will not be answered until a week from to-morrow, out of deference to the moon, which changes on that day. apon the horizon as a harbinger of hope churches, special prayers being made in all

CARTHAGE.

Minister Rejoices That State Seal Is Set to Belief in Prayer. FFUBLIC SPECIAL Carthage, Mo., July 21.—The special rain

prayer meeting was beld to-night in union service at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Suitable songs and Scripture readings and a sermen by the Reversed Mr Moore of Baptist Church were the features The preacher said he rejoiced that the sea of Missouri has been set to belief in prayer as well as to granting charters. He aske how many have thought of praying for rain to-day. He believed more thought of goin to pleasure resorts. So far no signs of rain appear.

Prayers Offered in Illinois. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Jacksonville, Ill., July 21.—In all the churches this morning there were special prayers offered for rain, as the crops of the county are fast burning up.

NEGRO'S SKULL FRACTURED George Tapley, it years old, a negro, who lives at North Market street and the Leves, was taken to the City Hospital yesterday with a compound fracture of the skull, which he said he had santained Saturday night. He says that he was struck with a brick by another neare.

THE CHANCE

COLORADO. To Denver and other resorts. Ex-cursions every day at nearly half rates round trip.

The great Midsummer Colorado excursions. August lat to 19th. less than half rates round trip, such as \$21.00 St. Louis to Denver. Colorado Springs, Manitou, etc.; \$15.00 from Missouri River; all-summer limits.

TWO DAILY DENVER TRAINS. UTAH.

To Ogden and Salt Lake. Similar excursions to Utah as to Colorado. THE BLACK HILLS To Hot Springs, Deadwood. Very low rate excursions every day through the Summer.

MINNESOTA. To St. Paul, Minneapolis, Lake Superior resorts, etc. Half rates plus \$2.00 round trip every day.

For Midsummer excursionists, Aviest by to 10th, inclusive, only \$14.40 round trip St. Louis to the Twin Otties"; all-summer limits. HOMESEEKERS' EXCURSIONS

To the West and Northwest, August 6th and 20th, September 3d and 17th. One fare plus \$2.00 round trip to Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, including Denver, Salt Lake, all California, Minnesota, Dakotas, entire Northwest, Mon-tana, Puget Sound country.

FOR ALL CLASSES.

The above scheme of excursions is planned for all classes of travelto Western and Northern resorts—seekers for homes—and investors of money in the corn balt, the wheat belt, or live stock areas of the West—for Colonists en route West as far as the Pacific Coast.

The Burlington Route is the greatest carrier of travel through the Louisiana Purchase. It is the main traveled road to the West. Send for descriptive matter. Ticket Office, W. Cor. Broadway and Olive: St. Louis.

LEFT IN HIS SHIRT SLEEVES.

St. James Merchant Disappears and His Friends Are Uneasy.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Vandalis, Iil., July 21.—Henderson Stine, a merchant of St. James, in this county, has been missing since July 9. He was seen to leave his store in his shirt siesves and to leave its store in his smirt steaves and board a train, since which time outhing has been heard of him. Stine has been in ill health for several years, and it is feared by he friends that his mind has become in-balanced. Eight years ago he was Deputy County Cierk of this county. County Clerk of this cour

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ley M. E. Church and the Reverend W. W. Bolt of the Congregational Church devoted the greater part of their morning sermons to the proclamation and exhorted their members to pray unceasingly for rain. The Reverend A. O. Reiter of the First Reformed Church took the opposite view, and preached against the dictum of the Chief Executive of the State, claiming that an all-wise Providence would do unto all men that which was best, and that it was sacreligious to attempt an interference with his plans.

JOPLIN. Churches Unusually Well Attended-One Pastor Attacks Appeal.

Joplin, Mo., July 21.-The proclamation is sued by Governor Dockery requesting prayers for rain was observed in most of

manner.

Several of the ministers held to the view that such a request was inappropriate and that the proclamation was on the order of the spectacular, and too much of a hurrah display of religion.
Other ministers held that such a request Other ministers held that such a request should not be necessary; that the people should appeal to God without public requests of any nature.

The majority contended that such a request would necessarily attract interest in prayer services, and was a benefit for the souls and bodies of mankind, from whatever

ource such a request originated.

It was also said that it was fitting that he head of the State should request prayer rom a Christian people in a Christian and from a Christian people in a Christian and charitable cause.

The churches were all unusually crowded this morning and extra prayer services were held in each.

The most radical of those against the proclamation for such purpose is the Reverend Paul Brown, pastor of the Congregational Church. He said:

"I regard the setting apart of a special day for prayer by the Governor of the State as something in the nature of a special day for prayer but do not believe in a wholesale effort to induce God to slip a cog in the wheel of the universe just because some people can't raise a crop. After three or four years of bountiful crops, I don't think this drought can be looked upon as a State campity requiring the Governor's official can interministers penerally supported Governor Dockery in issuing the proclamation.

LEXINGTON. Second Time Its Citizens Have Prayed for Rain in Generation.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Lexington, Mo., July 21.—Services were vell attended at the several churches of Lexington in response to Governor Dock ery's proclamation to pray for rain. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Butler, Mo., July 21.—Governor Dockery's At night union services were held at the Methodist Church This is the second time a special proclamation for prayer has been observed here, the first being in 1874, when Governor Hardin filled the executive chair. The thermometer to-day registered 107.

WARRENSBURG.

All the Churches Observed the Day Set Aside for Rain Prayers.

Net Aside for main rrayers,
REFUBLIC SPECIAL.
Warrensburg, Mo., July 11.—The drought
continues in this section. To-day was observed as a day of fasting and prayer by
all the churches. This is not the first supplication for rain that has gone forth from
here. The Dunkards have been praying for
rain the last three weeks. A few showers
fell Wednesday and Thursday.

MACON.

Mass Meeting at Callao, Where Drought Was Discussed.

MECHILC SPECIAL.

Macon, Mo., July 21.—A mass meeting was held at Callao, Macon County, to-day, at which talks were made upon the drought by John F. Campbell, County Representative; Colonel M. C. Tracey, the Revessed W. B. Watts, Harvey Riggs and others. If spits of the clear, unpromising sky and mercless sun, an immense crowd was present, and the spirit of the Governor s present, and the spirit of the Governor present and the spirit of the Governor present and the spirit of the Governor present and the spirit of the Governor special analido was faithfully carried out.

At Macon the ministers delivered sermons

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Hannibal, Mo., July 21.—The attendance at the various churches this morning, notwith standing the intense heat, was unusuall large. The proclamation of Governor Dock ery, asking a special petition for rain to nourish the rapidity parching crops, was ob-served by all of the churches. Sermons in line with the proclamation were preached by the Reverend Iswit Marshall of the Christian Church, the Rev-erend Everette Gill of the Fifth Street Bap-tist, the Reverend Mr. Drewes of the Luth-eran and the Reverend Mr. Garrett of Arch Street Methodist.

PARIS. Members of Congregations in Pub-

lic Prayer for Rain. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Paris, Mo., July 21.-To-day was observed here as a day of prayer for rain. Prayer services were held in the Baptist, Christian and Presbyterian churches this morning. Many talks were made and prayers were offered by the members of the congregations.

terian Church this evening. This was one of the hottest days experienced here this summer. Thermometer 106. GALESBURG.

Prayers for Rain Offered While Governor's Call to Prayer Was Heat Reaches 110 Degrees.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. 3 Galacturg Hill July 21.—Prayers for rain were offered here in most of the city pulplts to-day, and the Reverend O. C. Bedfor of the East Knox Street Church held s special service of prayer for rain. The heat to-day was a record breaker, the ther-memeter rising to 110 in the shade. BUTLER.

the Proclamation To-Day.

proclamation was observed here to-day by all the churches. Special prayer services were held at each church. At night a union prayer meeting was held on the lawn of the First Presbyterian Church, attended by nearly the callie population and particitated in by all ministers. Prayers suitable to the occasion were held.

WELLSVILLE. Drought Unbroken and Prayers Ascend for Relief.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Wellsville, Mo., July 21.—To-day was observed as a day of fasting and prayer by a part of the Chris, lan p.ople of tris community, and special religious serve.s were h.ld in three churches. The dr.ught in t.is section has not been broken, and to-day was one of the hottest of the season.

CHILLICOTHE.

Union Meeting With the Mercury Registering 114 Degrees.

REPURLIC SPECIAL.
Childcothe, Mo., July 21.—The day of prayer was renerally observed in the Childcothe churches, At the morning services the different congregations met separately and in every church prayer per rain was observed with appropriate sermons.

In the evening there was a union meeting at the Presbyterian Church, where addressrain were offered.

This has been the hottest day this year by 4 degrees, the thermometer registering KIRKSVILLE.

Citizens Fast and Pray for Cessation of Drought. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Kirksville, Mo., July 21.—Governor Dockery's proclamation was very generally observed to-day in this city. All the churches, save the Southern Methodist, observed the proclamation for prayer for rain at the morning services, but none of the congregations as a body observed the fast. Individuals, however, did. Most of the pastors and their congregations were glad to observe the feature of prayer on the Sabbath, but were slightly averse to making it a fast day.

SILEX. rayers for Rain Offered at the Presbyterian Church.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Silex, Mo., July 21.—Rain proclamation was observed at the Presbyterian Church here to-day. There were no prospects of rain up to 6 p. m.

NEVADA.

Partly Observed in Churches.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Nevada. Mo., July 21.—No special prayer service was held here to-day, except at the West Arch Street, East Austin Street and South Methodist churches. The other churches paid due respect to Governor Dockery's proclamation, and prayers for rain were offered.

SPRINGFIELD. Every Church in the Place Obeyed Places of Worship Filled With

Those Who Invoke Rain. EPUBLIC SPECIAL REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Springfield, Mo., July 21.—The churches of Bpringfield observed the Governor's request for prayer to-day, for rain and an end to the destructive drought. There were no unusual methods adopted, but practically all the ministers indorred the proclamation and devoted a part of to-day's services to invoking relief from the present calamitous conditions. The oburches were unusually well attended.

DIXON. Prayers for Rain Offered in Most

of the Churches. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Dixon, Mo., July 21.-Services were held at to-day. At the Baptist Church prayers were offered for rain. At the Methodist church, Presiding Elder H. B. Foster preached, but no prayers were offered for rain. The day has been very hot, the thermometer registering 104 degrees in the shade.

MEXICO. Prayers From Crowded Churches in City and Country.

stock output.

The afternoon services were held at the Christian Church, and to-night's services at the Presbyterian Church. At each there were many individual prayers for rain and testimonials of the goodness of God. The crowds at the evening meeting were so large that an overflow meeting was held at the Baptist Church.

Word from the country districts indicate that there were scrvices held at all of the country houses of worship during the day. To-day has been one of the hottest of the season and the suffering has been terrible.

CAPE GIRARDEAU.

All Protestant Churches Held Special Prayer Services.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL, Cape Girardeau, Mo., July 21.—All the Protestant churches held special prayer services this morning, in compliance with Governor Dockery's proclamation. The at-tendance was good, considering the intensetendance was good, considering the intensely hot weather.

The Reverend Horace Siberell of the Christian Church preached from the sixth chapter of Matthew, ninth to thirteenth verses, dwelling upon the proper spirit in prayer and its efficacy when so offered.

The Reverend L. Humphreys of the Presbyterian Church spoke of the withholding of rain from certain sections by God as a sign of his displeasure over the sins of the times. He said we should all offer a prayer for more righteousness.

SAVANNAH.

Impressive Union Services Held in the County Courthouse.

Savanah, Mo., July 21.-The day dawned bright and clear, not a cloud appearing

LINNEUS.

Prayer Services Conducted With Thermometer at 108 Degrees.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL
Linneus, Mo., July 21.—Governor Dock ery's call to prayer was generally observe in Linneus and vicinity. Special union services of prayer for rain were held by Reverend D. M. Proctor at the M. E. Church, South, and similar services were also conducted at the First Baptist Church by Reverend Willbanks. Little rain has fallen in Linn County since spring. The day to observe the Governor's proclamation happens to be the hottest of the season. The thermometer stands at 108 in the shade.

CARROLLTON.

Union Prayer Service Brought General Observance of Proclamation.

Maxion, Mo., July 21.—The Chirstian people of this community met at 3 o'clock this afternoon and at 7:20 o'clock to-night to join prayer services were held at the various